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AMENDMENT

Responsive to the Official Action dated October 19, 2001 (for which petition is hereby made for a three month extension of time), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 14-49 and add the following new claims:

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50. (New) A process for the preparation of a rapidly disintegrating solid dosage form comprising the steps of:

a) forming an admixture of a stable aqueous homogeneous suspension of micronized surface stabilized primary particles of a water-insoluble or poorly water-soluble drug with a matrix-forming bulking/releasing agent or a mixture of matrix-forming bulking and releasing agents, wherein said stable aqueous primary particle

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